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\$1 A YEAR, CASH.

Urton Lake Project.

Fort Sumner to Have a Great Irrigation Project in the Near Future.

The Urton Lake Project, comprising 71,000 acres, lying in the Pecos Valley tributary to Fort Sumner is to be commenced very soon. A strong company which was recently organized has contracted with the Territorial Carey Act Board to take the project over and complete it.

As is generally known, the United States, through its agent, W. M. Reed, appropriated the waters of the Pecos river and its tributaries in 1903, and segregated about 100,000 acres of land for the project, but, having other projects under way, has never had sufficient funds to justify the Government in commencing the construction.

During the last session of Congress the Carey Act was extended to Arizona and New Mexico, and the last session of the Territorial Legislature passed what is known as the Act Accepting the Carey Act and constituting the Carey Act Board, composed of Governor Curry, the Land Commissioner and the Territorial Engineer, which Board has had turned over to it all the plats and surveys made by the United States Government and has let the contract to have the dam and canal completed. The work will evidently be commenced as soon as they can possibly get on the ground and assemble men and material.

This great enterprise will give Fort Sumner such a boom as she has never had, as the dam for diverting the water from the Pecos river will be constructed of solid concrete, three miles above town, at a cost of nearly \$1,000,000 and three miles of heavy cutting and fluming will have to be done before the canal reaches town at a very heavy cost. After the canal reaches Fort Sumner it will run through comparatively level ground and it will not cost so much per mile.

The next work in importance will be the construction of the subsidiary reservoirs on the Taiban and Sibelo. The next heavy work will be the head-gate and outlet for the main Urton Lake reservoir which is a natural basin three miles wide and seven miles long, which is intended to hold a sufficient amount of water to irrigate many thousand acres below the reservoir. A line of the canal will run from the head-gate back up the river almost to old Fort Sumner; the Urton Lake being 240 feet higher than the Pecos river at that point, thus allowing the canal to run back up the river. This will be the largest enterprise of the kind in New Mexico, and will only be exceeded by the Elephant Butte on the Rio Grande.

Taking soil and climate into consideration will make it one of the most desirable irrigation projects in the west, and another great consideration is the fact of it being on the A. T. & S. F. Ry., thus assuring us the best railway facilities.

This project has been watched with interest by thousands of people who will not be slow to rush in and try to get in on the "ground floor."

Come and help us to build the greatest town in the greatest country on earth.

Mayor Daniel L. Taylor, of Terrell, Colo., has at last announced that the body of Kit Carson will be buried at rest in peace in his tomb at Fort Sumner.

A Letter.

Editor Fort Sumner Review:

What has been done in the year 1909 in the cultivation of the soil has gone into history, and the time has arrived when every practical farmer should make his plans for the next season and not wait until spring. An Allwise Providence has arranged everything for man's benefit, but he must take hold and assist nature at the proper time. The air is charged with such ingredients, that plant life, to flourish properly, must have cultivation, and here is where men must act his part. Do your plowing in the fall and early winter for next season's crop, keep the surface of your plowed field loose and mellow. This will attract the nitrogen. The air we live in is about 80 per cent nitrogen, which is a great benefit to all plant life and yet it is strange at this time in history, so many men that call themselves farmers take no advantage of such blessings; that is the reason we hear of the worn out farms of New England and the unproductive cotton-fields of the South. To those who wait until the last moment in spring, and then rush out and turn up to a hot dry sun, 30 or 40 acres before he harrows, is doing himself and family a great injustice, besides the country he lives in.

I agree with Secretary of Agriculture Wilson, when he says the nitrogen in the air is worth to the farmers of the country, millions of dollars annually if they would but take advantage of it. Soil treated in the manner suggested will require less moisture and retain it much longer. The soil of the Fort Sumner valley is the most friable and easiest to get a good seed bed than anywhere I have lived. The past season has fully demonstrated that the soil of the valley is capable of producing many paying crops, and some of them even excellent in quality. Some of the products have made themselves famous. Chief amongst this number is the cantaloupe; pronounced by experts to be superior to the famous "Rocky Ford," and the "best they ever ate."

Then comes our Irish and sweet potatoes; the quality as good as the best. Also our beets, tomatoes, and last but by far not the least our celery, some of it tall enough to be sold by the foot.

To those contemplating planting fruit trees, all the above mentioned crops can be put in between the rows for at least three years. Your trees occupy about one-eighth of the land. An acre of cantaloupes contains about sixteen hundred hills. Six cantaloupes to the hill makes two hundred crates per acre. Sweet potatoes, seven thousand hills to the acre. Irish potatoes, twelve thousand hills per acre. You can readily see what can be produced on an acre of valley land. And there is but little doubt but that it will produce the "big red apple," peaches, pears, cherries and grapes.

We have for a market all points west of us to El Paso, and as we are on the "Cut-off" of the great Santa Fe system we can reach all points east and help supply the big demand for a first-class cantaloupe.

R. C. NISBET.

The returns of the Assessor of Guadalupe County show \$2,281, 018. Why are we not able to pay our county officials their salary and other expenses of the county? Maybe we have invested too heavily in Adding machines.

NOT COAL LAND.

Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office, at Santa Fe, N. M., Oct. 18, 1909.

Notice is hereby given that R. P. Ervin, Commissioner of Public Lands of the Territory of New Mexico, filed in this office on May 20, 1909, under the provisions of the Act of Congress of June 21, 1898, Indemnity School Land Selections, for the following described tracts of Land:—

List 694. Serial 010120. Lots 1, 2, 3, 4 sw of sw, se of sw, ne of se, nw of se, sw of se, se of se Sec. 1. Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, ne of sw, nw of sw, sw of sw, Sec. 2 T. 4N. R. 20 E. N.M.P.M. 543.12 acres.

List 695. Serial 010121. Se of sw, Sec. 2, T. 4N., R. 20 E., N.M.P.M. Ne of sw, Sec. 2, T. 4N., R. 21 E., N.M.P.M. nw of sw, ne of se, nw of se, Sec. 2. Ne of sw, nw of sw, sw of sw, se of se, ne of se, nw of se, sw of se, se of se, Sec. 3. Ne of sw, nw of sw, sw of sw, Sec. 4, T. 4N., R. 21 E., N.M.P.M. 640 Acres.

List 696. Serial 010122. Se of sw, ne of se, nw of se, sw of se, se of se, ne of sw, nw of sw, sw of sw, se of se, ne of se, nw of se, sw of se, se of se, Sec. 5. Ne of se, nw of se, se of se, Sec. 6, T. 4N., R. 21 E., N. M. P. M. 640 acres.

List 697. Serial 010123. Lot 6, Sec. 6. Sw of ne, sw of nw, se of nw, Sec. 8. Sw of ne, se of ne, sw of nw, se of nw, ne of sw, nw of sw, sw of sw, se of sw, ne of se, nw of se, sw of se, se of se, Sec. 9, T. 4N., R. 21 E., N. M. P. L. 599 acres.

List 698. Serial 010124. Sw of ne, se of ne, ne of nw, se of nw, Sec. 11. Ne of ne, nw of ne, sw of ne, se of ne, nw of nw, sw of nw, sw of nw, ne of nw, Sec. 12, T. 4N., R. 21 E., N. M. P. M. 640 acres.

List 699. Serial 010125. Ne of ne, nw of ne, sw of ne, se of ne, ne of nw, nw of nw, sw of nw, se of nw, ne of sw, nw of sw, sw of sw, se of sw, ne of se, nw of se, se of se, Sec. 17, T. 4N., R. 21 E., N. M. P. M. 640 acres.

List 700. Serial 010126. Ne of ne, nw of ne, sw of ne, se of ne, ne of nw, nw of nw, sw of nw, se of nw, ne of sw, nw of sw, sw of sw, se of sw, ne of se, nw of se, se of se, Sec. 17, T. 4N., R. 21 E., N. M. P. M. 557.01 acres.

List 701. Serial 010127. Lots 1, 2, Sec. 7, T. 4N., R. 22 E., Lots 2, 3, 4, Sec. 2, Lots 1, 2, 3, Sec. 3, T. 4N., R. 23 E., N. M. P. M. 316.47 acres.

List 702. Serial 010128. Lot 4, sw of sw, se of sw, Sec. 3, Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, Sec. 4. Lot 4, ne of sw, nw of sw, Sec. 5, Lot 1, Sec. 6, T. 4N., R. 23 E., N. M. P. M. 338.61 acres.

List 703. Serial 010129. Lots 2, 3, 4, 5, ne of sw, ne of se, nw of se, Sec. 6. Ne of nw, nw of nw, Sec. 10, T. 4N., R. 23 E. Ne of ne, nw of ne, sw of ne, se of ne, ne of se, nw of se, sw of se, Sec. 13, T. 5N., R. 10 E., N.M.P.M. 543.69 acres.

List 704. Serial 010130. Se of se, Sec. 13, T. 5N., R. 19 E., Ne of se, nw of se, sw of se, se of se, Sec. 13, T. 5N., R. 20 E. Ne of ne, nw of ne, sw of ne, se of ne, ne of nw, nw of nw, sw of nw, se of nw, Sec. 15, T. 5N., R. 20 E., N. M. P. M. 520 acres.

Any and all persons claiming adversely the lands described, are advised to file their claims, or objections, on or before the 23rd day of November, 1909.

MANUEL R. OTERO, Register.

Notice of the above will be published in the Fort Sumner Review, published at Fort Sumner, New Mexico, which I hereby designate as the newspaper published nearest the lands described.

MANUEL R. OTERO, Register.

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Stop Listening.

Stop, look and listen! Counterfeit \$500 bills are said to be in circulation.—Mineral Wells Index.

Been listening for more'n a week, but nobody has tried to pay his subscription with one of 'em yet.—Lakewood Progress.

Still waiting, looking and listening here too. Let's know when you catch the first one, please.—Texico Trumpet.

Aw, come out of it! You'd all drop dead with heart disease if you heard a noise a \$500 bill, even if it was counterfeit.

Valley Notes.

Tom Kenney is now at home in a new house on his farm.

See Earickson's New line Dry Goods before buying elsewhere.

J. H. Keeling has purchased trees for a ten acre orchard and expects to plant in December.

Dr. Wm. Fitch has ordered trees for his orchard and contracted for his farm house.

Any suit of Clothes in the house at cost for cash. Look at them at Earickson & Co.

J. D. McCarty and Thomas Kenney have each purchased a team of horses from W. G. McCanne.

Dr. W. R. Franklin writes that he and Ralph will plant 30 acres of orchard this winter.

We are sole agents for Chase & Sanborns Celebrated Coffees, try them Earickson & Co.

J. B. Wilmet has just finished papering and painting the Fred Williamson cottage.

The water pipes are now laid and are supplying water over most of the townsite of Fort Sumner.

Govenor Curry has appointed L. C. VanHecke as delegate to the Dry Farming Congress, to be held at Billings, Mont., Oct. 25-29.

The election to determine whether the Herd Law shall be adopted in this, the 12th Precinct will be held on November 6th, 1909, at the office of J. A. Perkins, J. P.

Kemp Lumber Co. has just received a large consignment of Lincoln Paints, Kalsomine, Oil and Roof Paints.

There are four new houses going up along Sumner Ave. this week besides the extension of the telephone line.

Earickson & Co. have just received a car of Fancy and Standard canned Vegetables, including the Famous Richelieu Jams, Mince-meat, and other items too numerous to mention.

J. A. Northington has a large pipe cutting and threading machine installed in his shop and is otherwise equipped to do first-class plumbing work.

Mrs. Virginia Keys, daughter of Lucian B. Maxwell of Land Grant fame, who once owned the old Fort Sumner Military reservation, is here visiting. Mrs. Keys is a sister of Mrs. Manuel Abreu and Mrs. P. M. Jaramillo.

There are now over 180 pupils in our schools. Our teachers are doing their best; but can not do justice to their pupils nor themselves until we have better school rooms. We need another room and another teacher at once.

John Kinney was here with another party of Rockford, Ills. people this week. Mr. Kinney is becoming more enthusiastic every visit he makes. He says his family crowd will plant 300 acres of orchard during the winter and spring, and that another year will make a wonderful transformation in this valley.

William Loomis was among those who purchased land last week. Mr. Loomis says some people get pleasure out of a \$3,000 automobile; but he thinks he can get more out of building an ideal gentleman's home in a climate like ours and spending six months in the year watching apples, peaches and grapes grow, and the other six months telling people back east what a lot of enjoyment they are missing.

Personal.

D. J. McCanne returned Friday from a business trip to Artesia.

Miss Carrie Bullock was visiting friends here Wednesday.

Mrs. M. A. Rooney has been under the doctor's care this week.

B. Blankenship is town this week looking after his mercantile business.

Children's underwear in all styles and prices at Blankenship & Co.

Tommie, the "six foot baby" of Mr. and Mrs. D. Hoodenpyle arrived from Texico Friday to visit his parents.

A Ladies Circle of the W. O. W. was inaugurated on Thursday the 24th inst., with Miss Adalina Jaramillo, Guardian, and Mrs. S. Katz, Clerk.

Mrs. Belle Hixon visited relatives and friends here this week and started Thursday for California where they will make their future home.

The finest line of woolen and fleece-lined underwear at Blankenship & Co's.

Mrs. J. L. Lovelace of Albuquerque, after visiting her husband and son, Dr. W. R. Lovelace, for several days returned home Wednesday.

Fred Miller, Auditor for Kemp Lumber Company is in town this week.

Howard C. Hunt of Denver and G. W. Berger of Beloit, Wis., are here this week in the interest of the Fairbanks-Morse Co.

Everybody who has phone is clamoring for telephone connection with the depot. We all have more business with the railway company than with anyone else, and it would make the people who pay the freight feel better if the railway company would show a disposition to accommodate the public.

Miss Bessie Wisdom, who is teaching the public school at Alamo, was in town last Saturday and while here contracted with A. A. Wells to build a house on her lots.

E. E. Mahaffey was in town this week trading with our merchants. He has just returned from a trip through western Texas and says that crops are about as good here as in Texas.

The engagement is announced of Miss Felicitia Swabecker and Enrique Sandoval, popular and well known young people of our town. The wedding will take next month.

See the best stock of dress goods, ladies coats and skirts at Blankenship's.

Vaughn, a twenty-two miles west of us and 2,000 feet higher had a snow and sleet storm on Tuesday. This illustrates the difference in altitude. Come to Fort Sumner where you can enjoy the finest weather on earth.

L. M. Disney came in Wednesday from a western trip in which he spent several days at Santa Fe. He says that work will commence very soon on the Urton Lake project. Engineers are expected to arrive within a few days to begin preliminary work. This will set the ball to rolling and things are sure to move from here on. Mrs. Disney and children are with Mr. Disney on this trip and will inspect the irrigated valley before leaving for their home.

Why not send a copy of the Review back home?

LOCALETTES

We want your Cash business and will make prices to get it, at Earickson & Co's.

A fine line of clothing, cheap for cash at Blankenship & Co's Big Store.

J. B. Wilmet, the painter and paperhanger, has just finish re-painting and papering the Garver residence.

The Review,

One Year
One Dollar.

N. Madrid has received and installed three fine billiard and pool tables this week in his new establishment and is expecting three more tables next week.

The best and most up-to-date line of men's and boys hats ever brought to Guadalupe County at Blankenship's.

W. E. Chapman, who lives ten miles north of town, says that he and his neighbor will market about six tons of broom corn this season and that he intends to plant only broom corn next year.

The most complete assortment of woolen over-shirts at Blankenship and Co's.

By far the handsomest billiard table in these parts was installed last week in the Palace and as a consequence the devotees of the game keep it busy.

O. B. Earickson, F. A. Manzanares, Henry Reinhardt, Neils Curtis and Thomas Fitzgibbon returned the first of the week from Albuquerque where they enjoyed the Fair.

There is nothing better we know of for all kidney troubles than Pineules. These pills are really excellent in cases of weak back and backache, pains in the neck of the bladder, rheumatic pain and kindred ailments, due to weakened, disordered kidneys. Sold by Sunnyside Drug Co.

For Sale—120 acres of patented land, within 5 miles of Fort Sumner; living water; a choice place for a dairy ranch; cheap for cash.

C. W. FOOR.

WANTED: Pictures of Old Fort Sumner. Anyone having or knowing of pictures of Old Fort Sumner will please communicate with

L. C. VANHECKE

Have just received a car each Wolfs Premium Flour, Corn and Chop, Potatoes and Onions, Canned Goods, Sugar, Alfalfa, Windmills, Casing pipe and Fixtures. It will pay you to get you to our prices before buying elsewhere. Earickson & Co.

A. B. Harris and A. P. Anaya returned on Sunday morning's train from El Paso, where they witnessed the meeting of Presidents Taft and Diaz, (or at least they claim to have,) but all Brown has to show as a souvenir of that historical event is a limp from some badly trampled corns, while Paco driv' in covered with glory and a medal that looks as big as a four-bit dish pan. Now, who wins?

Edgar F. Lovelace is rapidly improving his place, 2 1-2 miles north of town, and it's safe bet that for the length of time he's been on it, he has more improvements than any one else around here can show. The place is well fenced, a fine four-room modern cottage, a fine well, with an abundance of real wet water, and Friday we caught him in the act of escorting a brand new wind mill home.